



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill #	SB0006	Title:	Airplane pilot death benefit for wildfire related death
Primary Sponsor:	Weinberg, D.	Status:	As Introduced

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Include in HB 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	<u>unknown</u>	<u>unknown</u>	<u>unknown</u>	<u>unknown</u>

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

1. SB 6 applies only with respect to a "person" who is "...a pilot or crew member of an aircraft on a firefighting mission in Montana while under service to an agency of the federal government or while serving under a contract or subcontract with an agency of the federal government" and is killed or permanently and totally disabled while in that service. In other words, it applies only with respect to a "firefighting mission" that a federal agency, not the state, has responsibility to suppress.
2. This bill doesn't apply equally to Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) and other interagency employees. It also requires DNRC to pay the benefit, thereby potentially having a significant fiscal impact that is difficult to measure.
3. The potential number of federal employees this bill could impact ranges from 250 to 1000 employees, annually. The DNRC has no direct control over these federal employees unless they are working on a fire where the state has the protection responsibility.
4. There is currently no funding within DNRC to address this cost

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

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